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State revokes, suspends licenses, certifications, registrations of health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has revoked or suspended the licenses, certifications, or registrations of health care providers in our state. The department has also immediately suspended the credentials of people who have been prohibited from practicing in other states.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Office works with boards, commissions and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency's website. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the [Department of Health home page](http://www.doh.wa.gov) (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Clark County

In October 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended the credential of **Eleanor J. Atchley** (NA60013448). Atchley submitted a urinalysis which tested positive for marijuana.

In October 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Penny Joann Linson** (NA00080381). Linson obtained hydrocodone and oxycodone for her own use.

In October 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended the credential of **Hamid T. Siddiqui** (NA00090617). Siddiqui was convicted of three counts of domestic violence protection order violation in 2009.

In October 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program revoked the credential of **David M. Vokes** (NA00163458). Vokes used a false social security number when applying for his credential to practice as a nursing assistant in Washington.

Grays Harbor County

In October 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of certified nursing assistant **Jennifer J. Wilson** (NC10091256). Wilson failed to comply with a previous stipulation.

Island County

In October 2010 the Health Care Assistant Program revoked the credential of **Scott A. Bono** (HC00146363, HC60071123). Bono was convicted of three counts of third degree child assault—criminal negligence and substantial pain, one count of unlawful imprisonment, and one count of fourth degree assault in 2009. The convictions arose from him whipping his nine-year-old son with a belt at least 10 times and for locking the child in an outdoor shed for at least an hour in order to punish him.

King County

In October 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended the credential of **George T. Ayagen** (NA00075749). Ayagen was convicted of third degree assault in 2010.

In October 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended the credential of **Vicky M. Duarte** (NA00171517). Duarte punched a vulnerable adult patient at the adult family home where she worked.

In October 2010 the Secretary of Health withdrew the Aug. 26, 2010, statement of charges against physician **Geoffrey A. MacPherson** (MD00011292).

In October 2010 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the license of registered nurse **Edward J. McDonald** (RN00116640). McDonald failed to comply with a previous stipulation.

In September 2010 the Secretary of Health withdrew the statement of charges against certified nursing assistant **Sabdaniayu Tarigan** (NC10077772).

Kitsap County

In October 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credentials of certified nursing assistant **Rejoice T. Bokuku** (NA60029497, NC60041703). Bokuku received a picture of a vulnerable adult patient bent over and naked, and failed to report the picture.

In September 2010 the Secretary of Health charged veterinary technician **Jennifer Dibley** (AT00002345) with unprofessional conduct. In October 2010 the secretary issued an order suspending Dibley's credential for at least two years. She was convicted of third degree child rape in 2009.

In October 2010 the Occupational Therapy Practice Board withdrew the Oct. 7, 2010, statement of charges against **Julie Gostin** (OT00004171).

In October 2010 the Health Care Assistant Program suspended the credential of **Ceirra K. Reynolds** (HC00154946). Reynolds practice outside the scope for a health care assistant in Washington by providing medications to a patient without direction or clearance from a medical provider authorized to do so.

Pierce County

In October 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of certified nursing assistant **Katheryn M. Battles** (NC10097640). Battles submitted a urinalysis which tested positive for amphetamine and methamphetamine.

In September 2010 the Health Care Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Kristen M. Carrara-McDonald** (HC00146233). Carrara-McDonald entered into drug court for a charge of obtain or attempt to obtain a controlled substance by fraud in 2009. Her credential to practice as a certified nursing assistant in Washington was also indefinitely suspended in 2009.

In November 2010 the Health Care Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Nature A. Thornhill** (HC60031593). Thornhill was convicted of driving under the influence of intoxicants in 2008.

Snohomish County

In September 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Marielou F. Fuertes** (NA00093165). Fuertes failed to intervene when she was informed an employee at her adult family home was abusive to residents.

In September 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Loyd Hanna** (NC10092436). Hanna failed to comply with a previous order.

In September 2010 the Dental Commission accepted the license surrender of dentist **Curtis Duzzette Smith** (DE00004003). Smith failed to provide two patients with dental care that met the standard of care for a dentist practicing in Washington.

Spokane County

In November 2010 the Massage Program suspended the credential of **Melynda Bly** (MA00010727) for at least three years. Bly entered into a personal relationship with a patient and then terminated the professional relationship to begin a sexual relationship.

In October 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended the credential of **Trisha R. Pitts** (NA00183835). Pitts tested positive for methamphetamine and morphine during a drug test.

In October 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Jo Nelle M. Shippy** (NA00040410). Shippy indicated on a medication log that she provided Hydrocodone to two patients at an assisted living facility where she worked, but the patients never received the medication. **Thurston County**

In September 2010 the Dental Commission entered into an agreed order to suspend the license of dentist **Curtis Claude Sapp** (DE00005197). Sapp was convicted of two counts of driving under the influence and one count of hit and run in 2010. He was also convicted of driving under the influence in California in 2007.

Whitman County

In September 2010 the Unlicensed Practice Program ordered **Gayle Eversole**, also known as Carole Wesley, to permanently cease and desist from engaging in any and all conduct constituting the practice of naturopathic medicine and nursing in Washington until she is properly licensed. Eversole must also pay a \$1,000 fine.

Yakima County

In October 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Rebecca L. Van Guse** (NC10090627). Van Guse tested positive for methamphetamine and amphetamine during a drug screen. She was also convicted of possession of a controlled substance in 2010.

Out of State

California: In October 2010 the Medical Commission summarily suspended the license of physician **Ahmed G. Rashed** (MD00039390). Rashed's license to practice medicine in California was suspended for refusing to undergo a physical and psychiatric evaluation.

Idaho: In August 2010 the Pharmacy Board summarily suspended the license of pharmacist **Jason Jungert** (PH00039062). Jungert's Idaho pharmacy credentials were revoked in 2010 for allegations that he stole hydrocodone from his employer for his own use. In November 2010 the Pharmacy Board revoked his license to practice pharmacy in Washington.

Florida: In October 2010 the Nursing Commission suspended the license of registered nurse **Melissa C. Rockwood** (RN60020763). Rockwood had multiple discrepancies in documenting and administering controlled substances to several patients at the hospital where she worked.

Oregon: In October 2010 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the license of registered nurse **Betty Lou Dietrich** (RN00068740). Dietrich voluntarily surrendered her license to practice nursing in Oregon.

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